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The CIA's Clandestine Activities In U.S. Revealed by 2 Newsmen

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"The Central Intelligence agency is not simply an agency that gathers foreign intelligence . . . in far-off corners of the globe," two Washington newsmen wrote yesterday. "It is deeply involved in many diverse, clandestine activities right here in the United States, in at least 20 metropolitan areas."

The two newsmen, Herald Tribune Washington bureau chief David Wise and Thomas B. Ross, of the capital bureau of the Chicago Sun-Times, said that "in Miami and New York, the agency financed and directed Cuban refugee activities. In New York and Chicago, it probably conducts similar activities with Eastern European anti-Communist emigre groups."

The examination by Mr. Wise and Mr. Ross of the CIA and other secret intelligence agencies is the subject of a forthcoming book, "The Invisible Government," parts

of which appear in the current issue of Look magazine. According to the authors, "the relationship between the CIA and the universities is two-way—the agency secretly finances research programs at some universities; in turn, the universities help to recruit CIA personnel."

They said that in 1963, "in Miami, for example . . . the agency not only had a Coral Gables number, but also operated as Zenith Technical Enterprises, Inc. This CIA cover firm was listed . . . in the telephone directory (with the address) Univ of Miami South Campus Perrine 238-3311."

Mr. Wise and Mr. Ross said "the cover office had no precise address — the university South Campus is a big place. It can be revealed, however, that the cloak-and-dagger people have worked from Building 25."

The authors also said that

President Kennedy personally ordered the CIA to keep its hands out of the Peace Corps, acting at the urging of Corps director Sargent Shriver, who feared even the slightest taint of a spy incident involving a Corps volunteer might destroy the Corps.

Keenly aware that the thousands of young volunteers the Corps was sending around the world would provide excellent "cover for the CIA, Mr. Shriver went directly to Mr. Kennedy with the problem, the authors said. They added Mr. Shriver had also been advised by the then Vice-President Johnson to "beware the three C's—communism, cuties, and the CIA."

Mr. Kennedy was said to have first given Mr. Shriver verbal assurance the CIA would not meddle in Peace Corps operations and later backed this up with a specific order to the super-secret agency.